

sets of radially stacked endless strips, alternatively denoted rings 9'. The elements 5 are provided with a protrusion part 10 protruding from a principle plane 11 thereof, for interaction with a hole (not shown) provided a back side of the element 5, so as to mutually align and/or position two adjacent transverse elements 5. It is further indicated that there is provided a rocking edge 12 forming the transition between the principle plane 11 and a radially inner part 6 of the element 5, which inner part 6 is recessed in the longitudinal direction with respect to other parts of the elements 5. The rocking edge 12 and the recessed inner part 6 allow mutual tilting of the transverse elements 5 so that a part of the belt 4 may assume a bent trajectory as shown by the side elevation. Adjacent elements 5 contact over an axially oriented contact line 7 on the rocking edge 12. According to the invention the rocking edge 12 shows a curvature in the radial direction having a relatively large radius R. By this measure the contact line 7 displaces radially inwardly in dependence on the amount of mutually element tilting.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 3-7, 9-11, 13 and 14 have been amended as follows:

--3. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that the curvature of the rocking edge (12) is defined by a plurality of radii (R) that continuously increase in a radially inward direction.--

--4. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that the curvature of the rocking edge (12) is substantially elliptical.--

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--5. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that the radius or radii (R) of the curvature of the rocking edge (12) lies or lie in the range between 20 mm and 180 mm, preferably between 30 mm and 150 mm, or around 40 mm.--

--6. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that each transverse element (5) is provided with a protrusion (10) longitudinally protruding from a principle plane (11) thereof, having a protruding height that is smaller than a maximum tilting clearance (C) in the belt's longitudinal direction at the location of the protrusion (11) between two mutually contacting elements (5).-

--7. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that in the radial direction of the transmission belt (4) the rocking edge (12) at least partly coincides with the endless carrier (9).--

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--9. (amended) The transmission belt (4) according to claim 7, characterised in that the transverse element (5) is provided with an axial side face (8) for contact with a pulley (2, 3) of the transmission (1) and in that in the rocking edge (12) extends in the radially direction to approximately half a radial dimension of the axial side face (8).--

--10. (amended) A transverse element (5) for application in the transmission belt (4) according to claim 1, characterised in that the transverse element (5) is manufactured by punching.--

--11. (amended) A continuously variable transmission (1) provided with the transmission belt (4) according to claim 1.--